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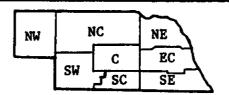
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WEATHER

A snowstorm produced .20 to .30 inch of moisture over the Panhandle and a little over .10 inch over the remainder of the State. Temperatures were around 3 degrees above normal except near 8 degrees above normal in the Panhandle with warmer temperatures occurring early in the week.

GENERAL

Good harvesting progress was recorded during the first part of the week until rain and snow halted activities in most areas Thursday. Fieldwork resumed in many southern counties as the week closed with varying levels of activity possible elsewhere. With a large bulk of the fall row crop harvest complete, producers attentions turned to livestock care and some fall tillage operations. Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.2.

Topsoil moisture supplies rated 14% short, 79% adequate and 7% surplus. Subsoil supplies were 26% short and 74% adequate. A year ago, topsoil moisture supplies were 73% short and 27% adequate. Subsoil supplies were 87% short and 13% adequate.

CROPS

Corn harvest matched normal progress for the first time this year and was 85% complete. This compares with 100% combined last year.

Only a very few scattered fields of soybeans remained to be harvested; state-wide, harvest was considered complete last week.

Sorghum producers had 91% of their acreage harvested, compared to 100% last year and 95% normal. Strong winds and some snow resulted in a few reports of milo being broken over, making harvesting more difficult.

Winter wheat crop condition rated 20% fair, 70% good and 10% excellent. Some yellowing has occurred in a few fields due to an apparent lack of available nitrogen and the cooler soil temperatures. Insect activity on the young crop has been very light.

LIVESTOCK

Pasture and range feed supplies rated short to mostly adequate. Livestock continued to graze stalk fields, although light field losses have limited the amount of available feed in most counties.

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PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1981

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